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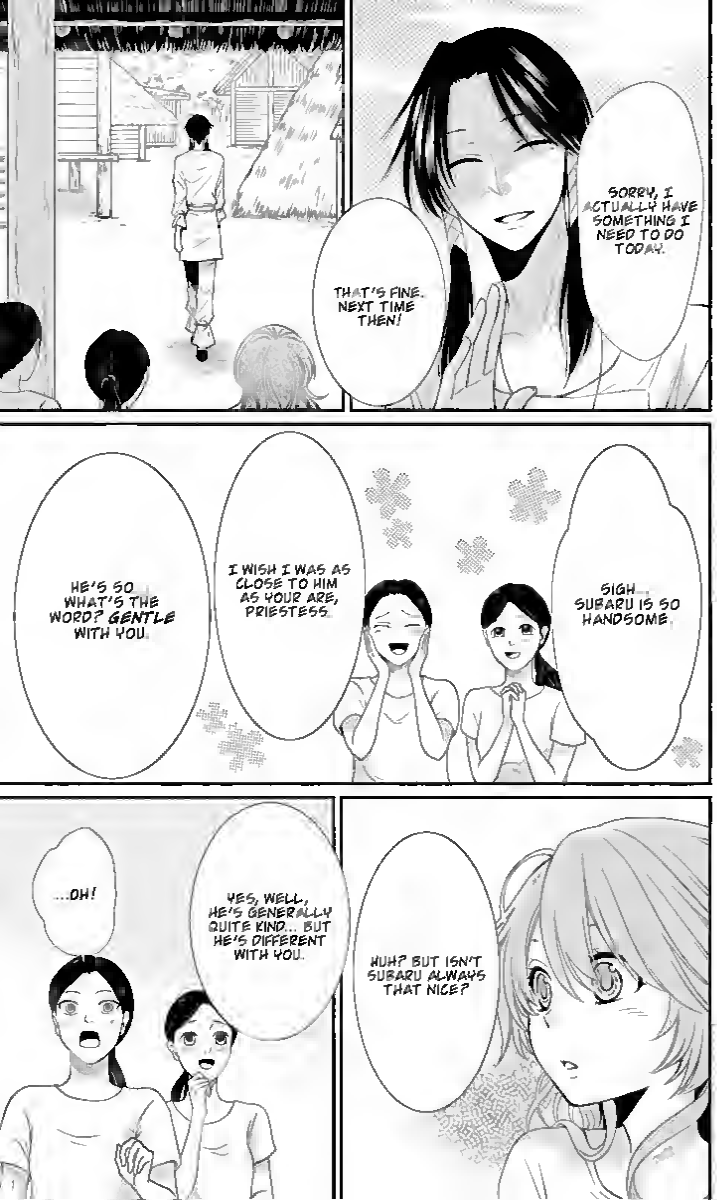
第17話

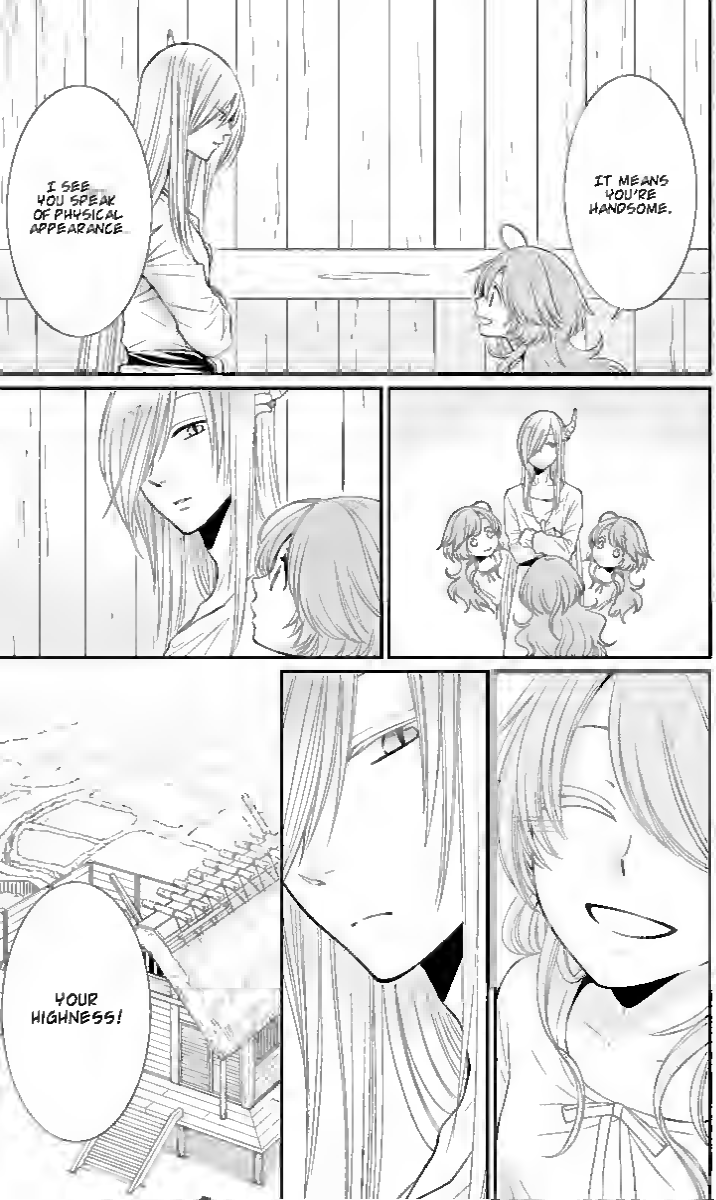
MY, MY, YOU SEEM TO BE IN RATHER HIGH SPIRITS TODAY, PRIESTESS.
SOMETHING GOOD? HM...
DID SOMETHING GOOD HAPPEN TO YOU RECENTLY?
I GUESS YOU COULD SAY THAT.
DID YOU FORGET THAT TODAY'S THE DAY WE DYE CLOTH?
SUBARU!
ASAHI


SORRY, I ACTUALLY HAVE SOMETHING I NEED TO DO TODAY.
THAT'S FINE. NEXT TIME THEN!
SIGH... SUBARU IS SO HANDSOME.
I WISH I WAS AS CLOSE TO HIM AS YOUR ARE, PRIESTESS.
HE'S SO... WHAT'S THE WORD? GENTLE WITH YOU.
HUH? BUT ISN'T SUBARU ALWAYS THAT NICE?
YES, WELL, HE'S GENERALLY QUITE KIND... BUT HE'S DIFFERENT WITH YOU.
...OH!

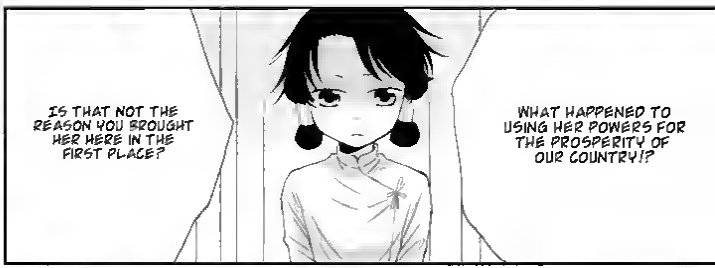
SIGH
SIGH... MISS ASAHI SURE IS LUCKY
NOT ONLY SUBARU, BUT TSUKIHIKO, AND THAT MAN TOO

PRIESTESS?
WHAT?
WHAT ARE THOSE?
HUH...?
Hearts!
It's a strange shape but it looks nice, doesn't it?
Hehe

STARE...
HMM... I SEE THE WATER GOD IS INDEED QUITE THE HOTTIE
ONCE AGAIN, I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT YOU'RE SAYING


I SEE YOU SPEAK OF PHYSICAL APPEARANCE
IT MEANS YOU'RE HANDSOME.
YOUR HIGHNESS!

WHY DID YOU ALLOW THE WATER PRIESTESS TO RETURN TO HER VILLAGE!?


IS THAT NOT THE REASON YOU BROUGHT HER HERE IN THE FIRST PLACE?
WHAT HAPPENED TO USING HER POWERS FOR THE PROSPERITY OF OUR COUNTRY!?

This king...
...is good for nothing!
He's not strong enough.
A king with strong ambitions is needed...
for a country to survive.
If things continue this way, our country will not survive.
We will perish...!
KOGAHIKO!

YOU HAVEN'T GIVEN UP ON THE WATER PRIESTESS?
SHE'S THE REAL DEAL, YOU KNOW? WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO, RAISE YOUR HAND AGAINST A GOD?
IT'S BECAUSE SHE'S THE REAL DEAL THAT I CAN'T GIVE UP.
NOW, HOW SHALL I GO ABOUT...
OBTAINING MY PREY...

IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR THE HARVEST FESTIVAL
A FESTIVAL?
SIGH... I WONDER IF SUBARU AND TSUKIHIKO WILL BE THERE
AH, THAT'S RIGHT... YOU'VE NEVER BEEN, HAVE YOU, PRIESTESS?
THAT'S BECAUSE IT'S A FESTIVAL FOR THE FARMERS.
WHAT KIND OF FESTIVAL?
WHAT KIND, YOU ASK? HM... A VERY SACRED ONE... A FESTIVAL THAT CELEBRATES LOVE!
LOVE? A FESTIVAL LIKE THAT EXISTS!?

TSUKIHIKO!
STEAM—
WHY HAVE YOU NEVER TOLD ME THERE WAS SUCH A FESTIVAL!?
OH, ABOUT THAT
I'M SURE IT WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN VERY FUN WHEN I WAS SHUNNED BY EVERYONE
THEN AGAIN EVEN IF I KNEW, I COULDN'T GO, COULD I?

BUT THIS YEAR I'M GOING!
...UM,
WHAT FESTIVAL EXACTLY ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
THE LOVE FESTIVAL?
I CAN GO, CAN'T I!?
...WELL, I'M NOT GOING TO STOP YOU...
...WOW!

YOU BOTH LOOK SO NICE!
BECAUSE IT'S A SPECIAL OCCASION!

THERE ARE A LOT OF FLOWERS HERE. DO I TAKE ONE?
IF A MAN ACCEPTS A FLOWER FROM A WOMAN...
IT MEANS THEY'RE TIED TOGETHER.
NO WAY...! IT'S JUST LIKE VALENTINES DAY!
WELL THEN, ENJOY YOUR NIGHT MISS ASAHI...
HUH?
WHAT?
ENJOY YOUR NIGHT!
SOUNDS LIKE FUN!

RUSTLE
WAIT... WHERE ARE YOU GOING!? CAN'T WE STICK TOGETHER?
ASAHI WENT TO THE FLOWER GIVING FESTIVAL!?

SHE SAID SHE DESPERATELY WANTED TO GO.
BUT, WHY... IN THE FIRST PLACE, ISN'T IT SUPPOSED TO BE A FESTIVAL FOR THE FARMERS AND PEASENTS?
UGH... WHATEVER!
SOMEONE BRING ME MY HORSE!
What's... going on...?

From every direction...
I keep hearing strange noises...
Like the sound of a woman's faint scream.
Ah!
Nn...

A love festival!?
Love!?
They mean THAT kind of love!????
In other words...
This is...
THAT, right!?
CRUNCH
EEEK!

OH, THAT FLOWER...
PRIESTESS!
EXCITED ?
IT MADE ME EXCITED
RUMOR HAD IT THAT YOU WOULD BE COMING TO THE FESTIVAL...
THIIS- THIS FLOWER IS...
SO SO, COULD I BE THE RECEIVER OF YOUR FLOWER?
WELL, USUALLY YOU'RE PRETTY SECLUDED FROM THE REST OF US.

HOLD ON A MINUTE..! THE HARVEST!! THIS FESTIVAL IS FOR THE GOOD HARVEST RIGHT!?
SHOULDN'T WE GO OFFER SOME PRAYERS FOR THE GOOD HARVEST!
!?
THAT'S RIGHT..? DURING THE SAME TIME THAT WE PRAY FOR THE GOOD HARVEST, WE CONCEIVE CHILDREN. WE PRAY FOR A "GOOD HARVEST" IN BOTH RESPECTS
THAT SAID, SHALL WE GO "PRAY?" FOR THE GOOD HARVESTS TOGETHER!?
I'M... I'M... SORRY!!!
DASH

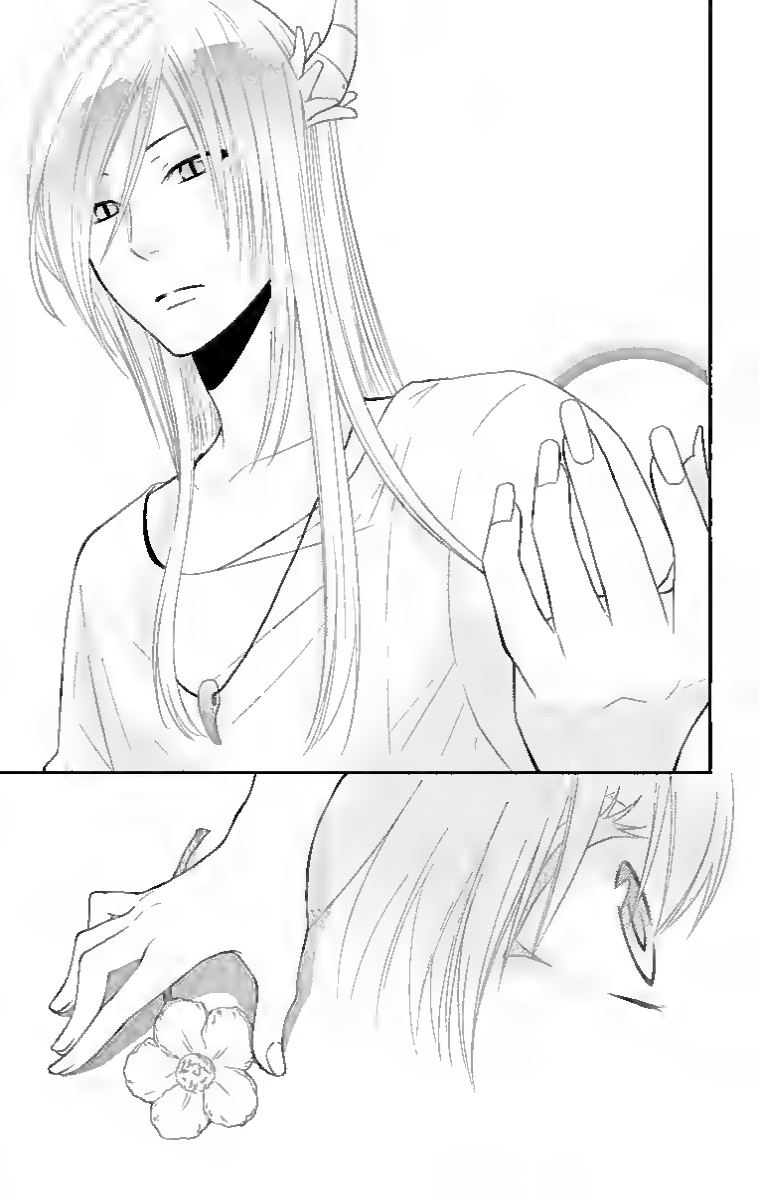
Tsukihiko, you idiot... Explain these things to me properly!
Pant
Pant
DASH
WE'RE LEAVING
!?
YANK

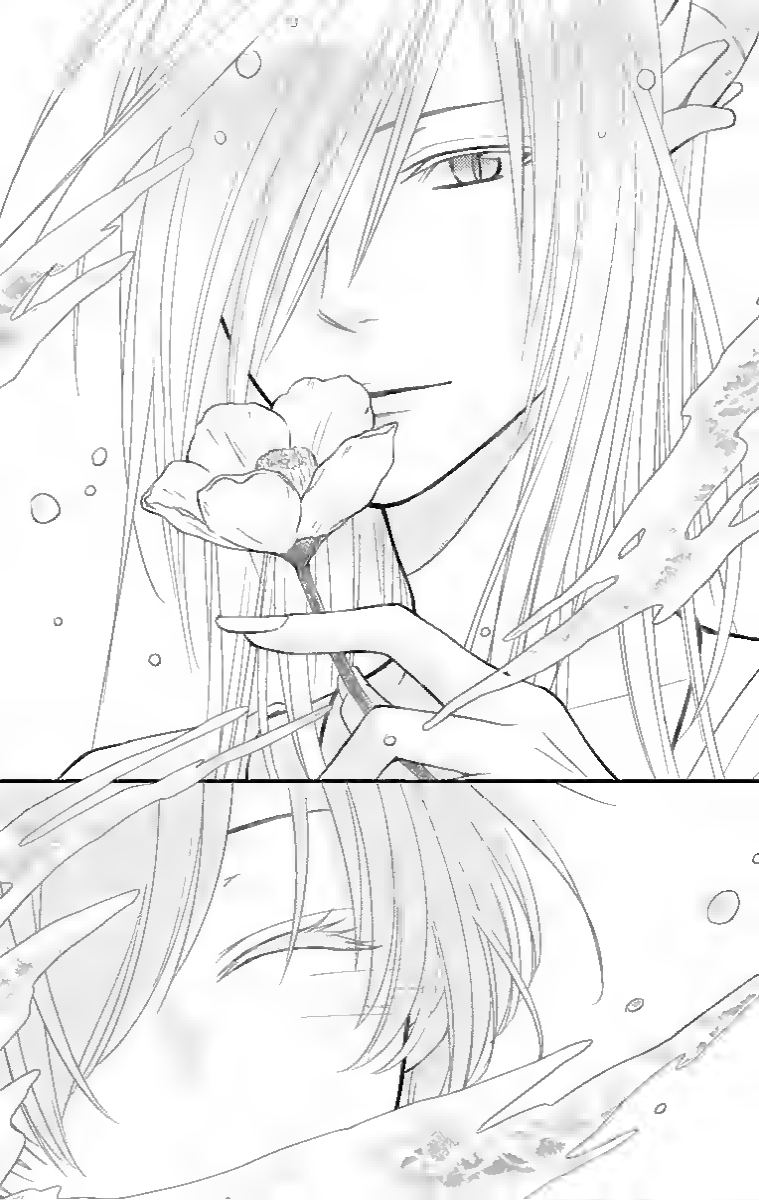
EVEN AT NIGHT, YOUR HAIR STILL MAKES YOU AN EASY TARGET.
YOU...

MY PLAN WAS TO SNEAK INTO THE VILLAGE...
DURING THE FESTIVAL, WHEN EVERYONE WOULD BE OUT
BUT I NEVER THOUGHT YOU WOULD GO TO IT AS WELL.
HOW CONVINIENT FOR ME
SINCE YOU'RE HERE, WHY DON'T WE HAVE A LITTLE "FESTIVAL" FUN?
LET GO OF ME!
THUD

SO YOU CAN SPEAK NOW.
I LIKED YOU QUIET, BUT I LIKE THIS TOO.
I'LL BE ABLE TO ENJOY MYSELF WITH A CRYING VOICE LIKE YOURS

His gaze,
are the same as they've always been...
And his expression,
But, as soon as he stood next to me...
I knew...





ASAHI..!

WHA-
WHOOSH
DAMNIT..!

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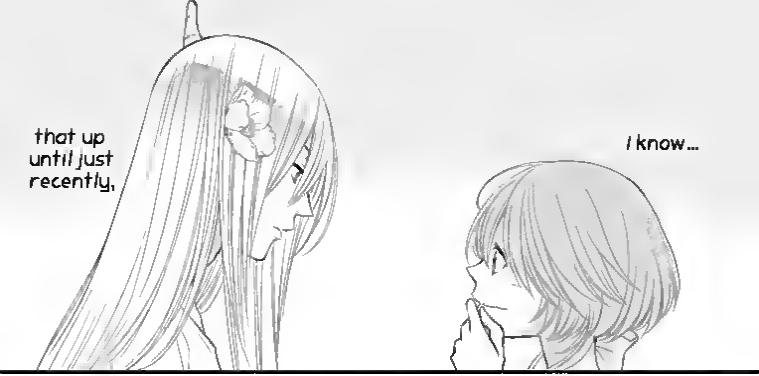
ghit
YOU SON OF A...!
DONT EXPECT TO MAKE IT OFF THIS MOUNTAIN ALIVE..!

I'm...

At that moment,
I already had a feeling...
If I reached out my hand...
he would accept the flower...

and
save
me.

THANK YOU, WATER GOD.
IT'S NOT A BIG DEAL.
You're wrong, water god.



reaching your hand out, even the tiniest bit,

was really,

really difficult for you.